

there is some reason for judges being appointed, and that is that they do harmful things to people sometimes, and they are putting themselves in a position where, of course, they make enemies and could not possibly be elected again. So there is some reason for that. There is no reason like that to give up our rights as to what we have now. If people in the State of Nebraska do vote to give away some of their rights, they are doing it knowingly so. So I would suggest that we leave it the way it is and go on with other business.

PRESIDENT: The Chair recognizes Senator Withem.

SENATOR WITHEM: I would call the question.

PRESIDENT: The question has been called. Do I see five hands? I do. I'll put the question to you. The question is, shall the debate cease? All those in favor vote aye, opposed vote no. The motion is to cease debate on the advancement of LR 32. Please record your vote. Twenty minutes to record your vote...20 seconds, 20 seconds. Ten seconds. Please record your vote if you wish to cease debate. Have you all voted? The Clerk will record.

CLERK: 27 ayes, 3 nays to cease debate, Mr. President.

PRESIDENT: The motion prevails. Senator Rupp, do you wish to close?

SENATOR RUPP: Mr. President and colleagues, in his opening on the kill motion Senator Haberman urged you to look at the committee statement. I would also, at this time, urge you to take another look at the committee statement. If you do you will see that in Constitutional Revision and Recreation, where we heard this bill, I voted against advancing it to the floor. I've given it some thought. I've since reconsidered my position. I now rise to urge you to advance LR 32 to Select File. A couple of things I want to put into the record early on. Number one, it is not a matter that we don't have good regents now. We come at this thing from different directions. I don't agree with Senator Vard Johnson that the system is broke. I just simply think that we have to look to the future. As several speakers have mentioned there is a clear trend in this direction that now less than ten percent, I believe, of major universities still elect regents. So this is a clear trend that I don't